

# CATAPULTS FOR THE SCHOOLS

Three Cities Found to Spend More for Educational Purposes.

## WASHINGTON IS SECOND IN TEACHERS' SALARIES

Figures for Eighteen Municipalities Shown in Report of Russell Sage Foundation Expert.

Washington ranks twelfth among eighteen principal cities of the United States in expenditures for educational purposes in its public schools, and fourth in expenditures for educational purposes.

This is set forth in a comparative study of expenditures for public schools in the leading eighteen cities. Just completed and made public by the survey committee of the Russell Sage Foundation. The comparison is made in a report entitled, "Financing the Public Schools," prepared by Earle Clark, statistician of the Russell Sage Foundation. The report is one of a series showing the results of a survey of the public schools of the eighteen cities, under the direction of Dr. Leonard P. Ayres.

The statistics show that Washington spends more than the average city for the operation and maintenance of its schools, but less than the average for improvements in its school plant.

Washington is fourth.

With the cities ranked according to expenditure per inhabitant for the operation and maintenance of the schools, Washington occupies fourth place in the group; but, with the cities ranked according to expenditure for operation and maintenance per \$1,000 of taxable wealth, Washington's position is seventh. For the operation and maintenance of schools Washington spends less per unit of wealth than per unit of population.

The report says that comparisons based on population and wealth are less significant than comparisons based on the average number of children in attendance. Washington's position in average daily attendance shows the relation between expenditure and the work actually done. Washington's expenditure for operation and maintenance, and thirteen in expenditure for new buildings and other improvements in the school plant. The city spending the most for operation and maintenance per child in average daily attendance is Los Angeles, while Baltimore spends least. In expenditure for new buildings San Francisco leads the cities, while New Orleans stands at the foot of the list.

The fact is emphasized in the report that the total expenditure for operation and maintenance of the schools is made up of a number of items, and that a high rank in expenditure for all the purposes of operation and maintenance may be either due to large disbursements for some one item. Detailed figures are given relative to expenditures in the different principal purposes of operation and maintenance.

### Items of Expenditure.

Washington spends less than the average city for six of the nine purposes of operation and maintenance, and more for the remaining three. The items for which Washington's expenditure is less than the average are: Office of board and other business offices, salaries of principals, stationery and other instructional supplies, wages of janitors and other employees, maintenance repairs.

The items in which Washington's expenditure is more than the average city are: Salaries and expenses of supervisors, salaries of teachers, fuel.

In Washington, as in all the cities dealt with, teachers' salaries constitute the largest and most important single item of expenditure. This item consumed, for the group of cities considered together, nearly two-thirds of the total expenditure for operation and maintenance, and over one-half of the combined expenditure for operation and maintenance and average annual outlay. The ranking of Washington as to expenditure for salaries of teachers is claimed to be more significant than the city's position according to expenditure for some other purposes.

**Spends \$36.97 Per Capita.**

It appears from the statistics that Washington spends much more than the average city for teachers' salaries. The per capita reported is \$36.97, while the average for the group of cities is \$21.65. In this item of expenditure Washington occupies second place among the cities for which rankings are given.

The report points out that a low expenditure for teachers' salaries per child in average daily attendance may be due either to the employment of a small number of teachers, with oversized classes, or to low salaries per teacher, or to a combination of these two causes. In Washington the number of children per class is smaller than the average in elementary schools, and also smaller than the average in secondary schools. The average number of pupils per teacher in Washington's elementary schools is 28.6, as compared with an average of 32.6 for the group of cities. In Washington the average number of pupils per teacher in secondary schools is 18.3, as compared with 20.8 for all the cities.

### Salaries of Teachers.

The statistics of teachers' salaries show that in Washington teachers in elementary schools are paid much less than in the average city, while teachers in secondary schools are paid decidedly more than in the average city. The average salary in elementary schools is \$250 for Washington, as compared with \$249 for the group of cities. The average salary in secondary schools is \$1,100 in Washington, as compared with \$1,156 for the group of cities.

One of the features of the study is a comparison of expenditures for all the purposes which are distinctly educational with expenditures for the business purposes connected with the operation and maintenance of the schools. In making this comparison expenditures for salaries of teachers, principals, supervisors and superintendents have been considered educational expenditures, while expenses for wages of janitors and other employees, for business and administrative offices, for fuel, and for repairs have been regarded as business expenditures. It is found that Washington ranks twelfth among the eighteen cities in expenditure for business purposes, but fourth in expenditures for educational purposes.

### MORE MONEY FOR THE POOR.

Contributions Still Being Made for "Fourteen Opportunities."

Contributions to the "Fourteen Christmas opportunities," presented by the Associated Charities, continue to pour in to the Star office, although they are already over-subscribed by several hundred dollars. Contributions not previously acknowledged are: Mrs. J. P. H., for opportunity No. 12, \$5; Geo. E. Cook, for opportunity No. 13, \$5; Joseph P. Ullman, for No. 9, \$1; N. T. Jackson, for No. 7, \$1; Subscriber, for any No. 1, \$1; for No. 12, \$1; Wellisher, for any, \$1; C. P., for No. 12, \$1; M. H., for any, \$1; Virginia, for any, \$1; P. L. E., for any, \$1.

## SAYS SYNDICATE RULES SMALL FUEL DEALERS

Commissioner of Weights and Measures of New York Asserts Twelve Men Exact Heavy Toll.

NEW YORK, December 27.—Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of the bureau of weights and measures, declared today that he will call the district attorney's attention to the existence and operations of a syndicate of twelve men, which, he asserted, controls 1,000 small coal, ice and wood dealers operating mainly in cellar stores in this city.

Mr. Hartigan charged that the syndicate exacts \$1 a day from each of the 1,000 coal dealers, and this compels the dealers to sell coal to the poor often at the rate of \$20 to \$25 a ton. He said the syndicate buys this coal at \$4.25 to \$4.50 a ton. The capital of the syndicate was estimated by the commissioner at \$50,000 and its annual return at \$200,000. The commissioner said that these coal dealers sell most of their coal by the barrel and that this is in violation of the law, which demands sale by a standard measure. He declared that he would do his utmost to expose the workings of the syndicate.

## LYNCHING IS Averted AFTER FIVE-HOUR RIOT

Two Negroes, Disguised as Militiamen, Taken Out of Mob's Reach by Sheriff.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., December 27.—With the safe removal from the county jail here of two negroes arrested in connection with the murder of a policeman, Muskogee returned to normal conditions today and there was nothing on the surface to show that the jail had been besieged for five hours last night by a mob of white men threatening to lynch the negroes.

Across the street from the jail 200 armed negroes gathered and announced they would open fire on the jail the minute they attempted violence on the prisoners.

Two assaults on the jail by the white men were repulsed by militiamen with fixed bayonets, although at one time the attackers succeeded in battering down the jail doors with a railroad rail. While a third assault was being attempted the two negroes were dressed in white uniforms, covered by the overcoats with high collars and rushed from the jail in a taxicab before the watchers outside knew what was being done.

With the negroes safely removed, the leaders of the mob were allowed to search the jail, then all dispersed. This eased the racial tension which at one time threatened a pitched battle. While the jail doors were being closed the negroes unless they disarmed and went home.

In preparation for trouble a local hardware dealer opened his store and supplied all available firearms to citizens who wished means of protecting themselves.

The two negroes, William Green and Mathis Foreman, are believed to have been taken to the state penitentiary at McAlester. They are accused of having slain Samuel Neal, a patrolman, when he attempted to arrest them on suspicion of burglary.

The police today arrested three young men on a charge of leading the mob and disarmed a number of negroes. Although Company F of the state militia was on duty today, there were no signs of either white or negro mobs.

## LLOYD GEORGE APPEALS TO BRITISH WORKINGMEN

Tells Them War Is an Earthquake, With Which They Cannot Haggle.

GLASGOW, December 27.—In his effort to get the labor unions to surrender some of their restrictions on war munitions work, David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, addressed a meeting of 3,000 unionists here Saturday night. He urged a less rigorous enforcement of union regulations in order to increase the output of war material.

Mr. Lloyd George said that he wondered how many people fully realized the magnitude of the war and its tremendous issues. Sometimes he feared, he said, that they treated it as a passing shower.

"But it is not a passing shower," he exclaimed. "It is the deluge; it is a convulsion of nature; it is a cyclone which is tearing up by its roots the ornamental plants of modern society and wrecking some of the flimsy trestle bridges of modern civilization. It is an earthquake which is unheaving the very rocks of European life; it is one of those seismic disturbances in which nations leap forward or fall backward generations in a single bound. All this chattering about relaxing a rule and suspending a custom is out of place. You cannot haggle with an earthquake, and I beg the skilled workmen of this country, in whose keeping are the destinies of labor, to lift up their eyes above the mists of distrust and suspicion and ascend to the height of the greatest opportunity that ever opened before their class, and by so doing here this emergency after this the future hope which the great leaders of democracy of all ages have pictured in their dreams."

At the close of his speech Mr. Lloyd George met the district committee of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers. At this meeting, which was highly satisfactory, proposals were discussed with a view for definite and immediate action for the dilution of labor.

While George Fisher of Benfield, Anne Arundel county, Md., was resting on the foot, the weapon was discharged and tore off two toes and badly lacerated the rest of the foot.

## BODY OF SCIENTISTS MEETS IN COLUMBUS

Sixty-Eighth Session of American Association and Its Affiliated Societies.

### ONE TOPIC SCHEDULED IS NATIONAL DEFENSE

Secretary Daniels and Henry H. Ward of Washington Listed Among the Speakers.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, December 27.—Eminent scientists from all parts of the United States gathered here today for the sixty-eighth meeting of the American Association of Science and its affiliated societies. The first general session will be opened tonight by Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University and retiring president of the association, in the chapel of the Ohio State University. The sessions will continue through Saturday.

Throughout the week hundreds of scientific papers will be read before the various sections of the association and before the affiliated organizations. While most of the program is devoted entirely to lines of research with which the layman is unfamiliar, many subjects of public interest will be discussed.

### To Discuss National Defense.

Thursday has been set aside for the discussion of national defense and development.

Among the speakers whose names appear on this section of the program are Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy; S. Stanwood Menken of New York; Henry A. Wise Wood of New York, who recently resigned from the naval advisory board; Henry H. Ward of Washington, secretary of the Naval League; and Ivy L. Lee of New York.

Dr. Eliot in his paper on "The importance of linking industrial and college education with a policy of national preparedness" will be read by another member of the association, which have co-operated with the Post Office Department in making such schemes dangerous and unprofitable.

"The strict enforcement of the law," he says, "is having a more effective effect on many promoters who have hitherto relied for a livelihood on the conduct of schemes to defraud through the mails. The schemes now being brought to the attention of the office," he continues, "are, generally speaking, not so flagrant as those which have been exposed during preceding years of this administration, and it is now the exception rather than the rule to find the promoter of a business against which a fraud order has been issued attempting to resume such business under another name."

### Addresses of Welcome.

After opening the meeting, he will introduce the new head of the association, Dr. William Wallace Campbell of the University of California. Addresses of welcome will be made by President W. O. Thompson and Dr. T. C. Mendenhall of the Ohio State University. President Campbell's reply will follow. It is expected that 700 scientists will attend the convention.

## SANTA CLAUS HAS PART IN CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Delivers an Address to Youngsters at the Baptist Home in Brookland.

With old Santa Claus himself in attendance, and many presents for each child, youngsters at the Baptist Home for Children, Brookland, D. C., were made unusually happy Christmas eve. Although it is a "Baptist" home, children are there from many other denominations.

Early in the evening the children assembled, under the direction of the matron, Mrs. Fisher, and singing Christmas carols, marched into a large room where a tree, laden with gifts, had been placed.

When all had been seated, Santa came in, making a great noise, and told the children of the many gifts they were to receive. One two-year-old got out of his chair and rushed to meet the benevolent old gentleman, and insisted on knowing if he was to get a present.

### Distribution of Gifts.

After prayer the distribution of gifts was begun. In addition to gifts on the tree and those in Santa's pack two big tables of presents were uncovered.

Each girl received a large doll. Smaller dolls—babies for the big dolls—were distributed to the girls by Mrs. George Judd. Each boy and girl got an umbrella, a box of candy, oranges, apples, stockings, underclothing, handkerchiefs, books, three or four kinds of toys, games and blocks and other playthings.

Before leaving Santa told the children that if they were good for two weeks each would be taken downtown and fitted out with a new pair of shoes and a new suit. Three cheers were given Santa as he left.

### Minister Makes Brief Address.

Rev. H. W. O. Millington of Brookland spoke briefly to the children, asking them to give three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Richards, to whom they were indebted for the happy time they had been given. Mr. Richards explained to the officers of the home that he and his wife hoped to set a precedent by the entertainment which others might be glad to follow and improve as the years go by.

The first check to assist in the purchase of things for the little ones came from Justice Charles E. Hughes of the Supreme Court of the United States. Others were received from persons of all denominations.

## MRS. C. K. E. HENKLE DIES

AFTER A LONG ILLNESS Was Widow of Gen. S. S. Henkle and Daughter of One-Time Mayor of City.

Mrs. Clara K. Emery Henkle, widow of Gen. S. S. Henkle, one of the foremost lawyers of Washington during his life and daughter of the late Matthew Gault Emery, one-time mayor of Washington, died at her home, 207 I street northwest, yesterday, following a long illness. Mrs. Henkle had been an invalid for several years, never recovering from a fall which she sustained.

Funeral services are to be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at her late residence, Rev. Hugh Johnson of Baltimore, formerly pastor of the Metropolitan M. E. Church of this city, of which she was a member, is to officiate. Interment, which is to be private, is to be in the family lot, Rock Creek cemetery, beside her husband.

Mrs. Henkle was considered one of the most beautiful women in Washington during her youth. She assisted her father in entertaining both during his life and after his death. She was one of the leading practitioners before the bar here for many years. He died about twenty years ago.

Mrs. Henkle was an active worker in church and charity circles up to the time she suffered from the fall. She leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. V. Cox and Mrs. W. M. Hannay. One of her surviving nieces is Mrs. H. C. Laird of Norfolk, Va., daughter of the late Matthew Emery, Jr.

## SAYS FRAUDS BY MAIL HAVE BEEN REDUCED

Solicitor Lamar Gives Newspapers and Magazines and Advertising Agencies Credit for Help.

Solicitor W. H. Lamar of the Post Office Department, in his annual report, divides the honor of reducing the number of fraudulent schemes prosecuted through the mails with the newspaper and magazine publishers, advertising organizations, and other agencies, which have co-operated with the Post Office Department in making such schemes dangerous and unprofitable.

"The strict enforcement of the law," he says, "is having a more effective effect on many promoters who have hitherto relied for a livelihood on the conduct of schemes to defraud through the mails. The schemes now being brought to the attention of the office," he continues, "are, generally speaking, not so flagrant as those which have been exposed during preceding years of this administration, and it is now the exception rather than the rule to find the promoter of a business against which a fraud order has been issued attempting to resume such business under another name."

### Lotteries in New Guises.

Lotteries, however, he says, thrive still in new guises and are of such infinite variety that their description would be an endless task. They range from the simple raffle for small sums to the most stupendous enterprises involving hundreds of thousands of dollars each, and aside from the lottery feature many of them abound in frauds.

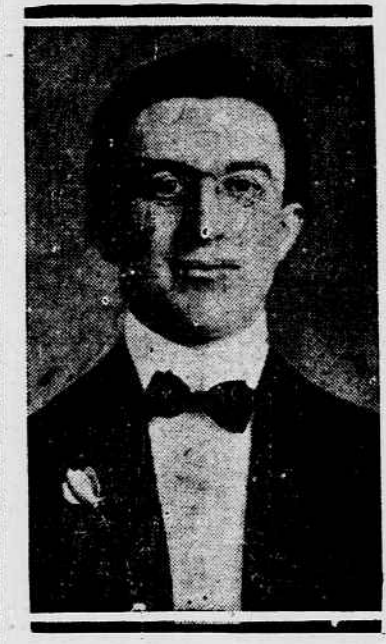
One recent stock selling scheme, he says, involved the raising of \$100,000, and provided for the distribution of \$500,000 in prizes. In another the first grand prize was alleged to amount to \$102,000.

The time-honored institution, the post card drive, still survives, the report states. "It is held that the law renders unobtainable cards by which it appears that the addresses are being dunned for an amount that is past due. It would appear that a great many business men and collection agencies throughout the country are not aware that the law is applicable to such matters."

Mrs. Kate Henderson, fifty-seven, widow of Joseph Henderson and daughter of the late Bertha Cooper, died at her home in Arlington, Baltimore.

## S. M'C. HAWKEN RESIGNS OFFICE

Served as Chief Aid to U. S. Attorney in District Since September, 1911.



SAMUEL MCCOMAS HAWKEN.

Samuel McComas Hawken, who has held the position of chief assistant prosecutor in the office of the United States attorney since September, 1911, today tendered his resignation to United States Attorney Laskey.

Mr. Laskey was appointed to succeed Mr. Wilson the resignation of Mr. Hawken was placed immediately in his hands. Mr. Laskey requested that he remain in the position and persuaded him to withdraw from his determination to retire.

### His Record of Success.

Mr. Hawken has been regarded as unusually successful in the prosecution of criminal cases. He has tried alone, or has participated in, nearly every important trial since entering the office. Among the convictions secured were the murder cases of Milano, Sabin, Poland, Hawkins and Powell; the embezzlement charge against Masters and Kinneer; the Molohan false pretense case, the Fletcher-Noble-King conspiracy case and the prosecution of W. E. Ambrose and Raymond O. Kleindienst, the latter a policeman.

Under the Wilson regime Mr. Hawken made an investigation into the alleged conspiracy among commission merchants to raise the price of foodstuffs. Last summer he was placed by Mr. Laskey in charge of the inquiry into the alleged conspiracy among commission merchants to raise the price of foodstuffs. Two indictments were returned against two policemen within three days after the starting of the inquiry. Mr. Hawken made an extensive report to Mr. Laskey of the result of his investigation.

### Active in Politics.

Mr. Hawken has been active in Maryland politics. He was born in Williamsport, Md., in 1851. He came to Washington in 1889 and was educated in the public schools, later matriculating at Georgetown University, where he took his law degree in 1905, being the honor man of his class. He entered the office of the clerk of the District Supreme Court in 1897 and was for a number of years clerk of Criminal Court No. 1.

While walking on Charles street, daughter of the late Bertha Cooper, colored, fell to the sidewalk from heart failure, dying later.

## LEGISLATION ON LABOR TOPIC OF CONFERENCE

American Association, Embracing Leaders of Advanced Thought on Subject, to Meet Here.

Leaders of advanced thought along lines of labor legislation are to assemble in Washington tomorrow, when the ninth annual convention of the American Association for Labor Legislation opens its first session at the Shoreham Hotel, at 10 o'clock. The convention is to continue until Wednesday evening, with morning, afternoon and evening sessions tomorrow. The closing session, to be held Wednesday afternoon, is to be a joint session with the Pan-American Scientific Congress. The annual business meeting is to be held shortly before noon tomorrow, this being the only session of the convention which is not open to the general public.

### Representatives of States.

The Massachusetts state board of labor and industries is to be represented at the convention by Commissioner Mulready and two of his colleagues, while the commissioner of labor of Pennsylvania, John Price Jackson, is to attend with his industrial board of four members. The New

Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs is sending the chairman of its industrial department, Mrs. J. B. Webb, while among the leading members of the association who will be present are the president, Prof. Henry R. Seager of New York, Prof. John R. Commons, Madison, Mo.; Prof. Luther B. Davis of St. Louis, Mo.; Prof. Ernest Freund of Chicago, Dr. Samuel McCune Lindsay and Dr. George M. Price of New York.

The program for the opening day is to include a number of important meetings. The morning session will be given to a discussion of social insurance, and it is to be followed by a members' luncheon in the gold room of the Shoreham Hotel. The annual business meeting, at which the reports of the secretary and treasurer will be read and the officers for the coming year elected, immediately follows the luncheon.

### Secretary of Labor to Preside.

In the afternoon the chair will be taken by the Secretary of Labor, William B. Wilson, and a full discussion will be given to provisions of the secretary's law.

The evening session, which is a joint meeting with the American Political Science Association, will be given over to the addresses of Prof. Henry R. Seager, president of the American Association for Labor Legislation, and Prof. Ernest Freund, president of the Political Science Association.

At the session Wednesday afternoon the chair will be taken by Surgeon General William C. Gorgas of the United States Army. This meeting is to be held jointly with the Pan-American Scientific Congress for a discussion of the progress of hygiene and sanitation in South and North America.

Joseph A. Kling, seventy-seven, a retired harnessmaker of Baltimore, fell from his chair dead at his home there.

## NATURE LOVERS ON HIKE.

Eighty-Six Wanderlusters Compose Party Which Hit the Trail Yesterday

Eighty-six wanderlusters composed the party of nature lovers yesterday who visited again some of the beautiful country scenes adjacent to Congress Heights. Led by W. Palmer Hall and John Rosson, the party left from the Anacostia end of the navy yard bridge, going via 14th street, Stanton drive, Fort Stanton, Alabama avenue, Garfield School and addition, past garden and small farm plots, through woods and on to Wheeler road to Congress Heights proper, says the "official" account.

"There was one of our pretty streams to cross, of which we read in books, Oxon run by name, with the still serviceable bridge made from a beech log; there was a number of pretty lanes branching off from the scheduled trail, which sorely tempted the wanderer to explore; and as a charming climax a most gorgeous sunset scene was set before us as we started homeward, just at a moment when the river, the sky and the sun seemed in perfect accord," adds the official account.

John Boyle, Jr., proposes to acquaint us with Four Mile run on New Year's day, and the wanderlusters are to meet at the Mount Vernon station, 12th street and Pennsylvania avenue, for this purpose at 11 o'clock, returning to the city by 5 p.m. or earlier."

Harry Edwards, colored, twenty-eight years, was shot and killed at the home of Uriah Hammond, colored, at Down station, Md., by Eugene Johnson, colored. The shooting followed a quarrel, Johnson, who is twenty-seven years old and has only one leg, escaped.

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# Next Sunday's Star

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